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Subject: RE: Possible need for new UIC Desk Statement

We will pull together a desk statement on this.

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Hi Paul/Bill –

I got a call from the new DOGGR Director (Ken Harris) and as expected, and required under our compliance plan, they will be "official" moving forward with new rules for the UIC program. The goal is to address our prior audit findings and more importantly bring it up to speed with current practices. They are starting with a "discussion release" to inform a more formal future proposed rule later. The rules deal with things like well construction requirements. They are trying to get it out later today. If you need more info to determine if it rises to the level of needing a desk statement please call and talk with David. Thanks

Mike

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